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January 29, 2020

**VIA ECF & VIA Torres NYSDCHAMBERS@nysd.uscourts.gov**

The Honorable Analisa Torres  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court, Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

**Re: Mendez v. Lesley Heller Fine Arts LLC  
Case No. 19-cv-011540 (AT)**

Dear Judge Torres:

This firm represents Defendant, Lesley Heller Fine Arts LLC, and was recently retained in the above-referenced matter. This letter is written pursuant to Rule 1(C) of Your Honor's Individual Practice Rules, to request an extension of the deadline for Defendant to answer, move or otherwise respond to the Complaint from January 28, 2020 through and including February 28, 2020, and the adjournment of the initial conference presently scheduled for February 19, 2020.

Plaintiff's counsel consents to these requests. These requests are made in light of our recent retention so that we will have sufficient time to review and analyze the allegations in this Complaint, speak with pertinent witnesses, review relevant documents, and determine an appropriate response. In addition, the parties would like additional time to discuss a potential resolution of this matter without further judicial intervention.

This is Defendant's first request for an extension of these deadlines. No other deadlines have been scheduled in this case.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

JACKSON LEWIS P.C.

By: /s/ Joseph J. DiPalma  
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GRANTED in part, DENIED in part. By **February 21, 2020**, Defendant shall answer or otherwise respond to the complaint. It is further ORDERED that the initial pretrial conference scheduled for February 19, 2020 is ADJOURNED to **March 5, 2020, at 12:20 p.m.** By **February 27, 2020**, the parties shall submit their joint letter and proposed case management plan.

SO ORDERED.

  
ANALISA TORRES  
United States District Judge

Dated: January 29, 2020  
New York, New York